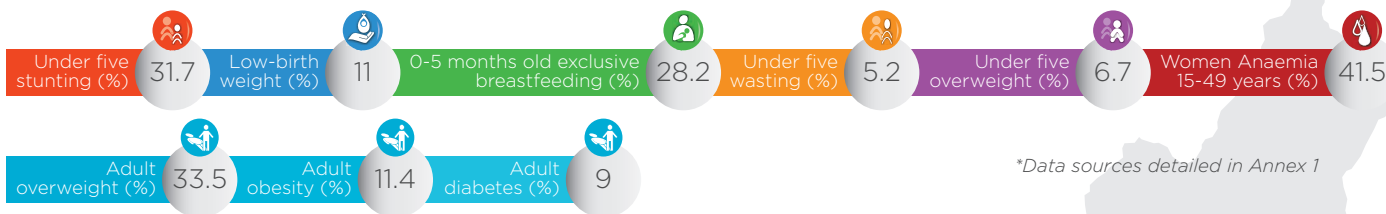




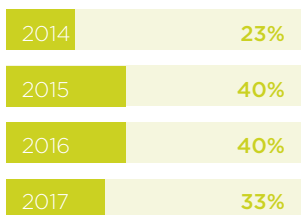
Joined: February 2013
Population: 22.83 million

Cameroon



*Data sources detailed in Annex 1

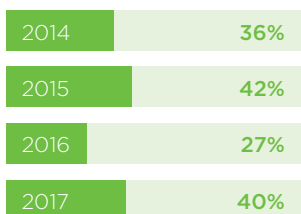
Institutional transformations in 2016-2017



Bringing people together into a shared space for action

The Inter-ministerial Committee to Combat Malnutrition, established within the Office of the Prime Minister, has continued its work. A food and nutrition guide has been produced and validated. The multi-sectoral and multi-stakeholder platform (MSP) that brings the different SUN networks together needs re-energising, to strengthen the current mechanism and mitigate the absence of certain sectors in

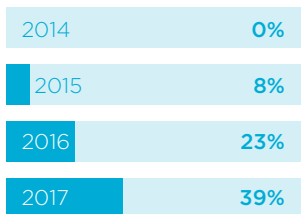
monthly meetings. This would also enable the four working groups formed in the regions most affected by malnutrition to be strengthened. The civil society, donor and UN networks have been established while the private sector network is in the process of being formalised. The parliamentary network to combat malnutrition would be more effective if it had a more detailed road map.



Ensuring a coherent policy and legal framework

The nutrition policy has been revised to ensure it is in line with new evidence that stresses the need for a multi-sectoral approach and the scaling up of cost-effective interventions to speed up the reduction of malnutrition. The nutrition situation analysis and legal framework were updated prior to developing the common results framework and operational plan

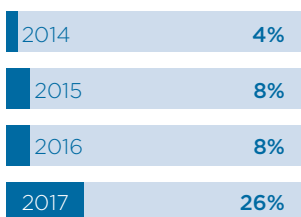
for policy implementation. Tracking missions are conducted to ensure the implementation of food fortification and the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes. Parliamentarians are challenging the Government at all parliamentary sessions to make nutrition a national priority.



Aligning actions around a common results framework

UNICEF's support to the development of the common results framework (CRF) commenced in May 2016 on the basis of the new multi-sectoral food and nutrition policy, with the involvement of all nutrition stakeholders. The areas of intervention selected within this CRF enabled the development of a multi-sectoral operational plan. These documents will

be submitted for the approval of the Inter-Ministerial Committee by the end of 2017. A national workshop was organised in June 2017, to evaluate and strengthen the capacity of plan implementers this plan nationally. Once these instruments have been adopted, there will be more concrete and efficient policy and planning coordination between ministries.



Financing tracking and resource mobilisation

The CRF will be costed by the end of 2017 and the recruitment of a consultant for this work is currently underway. The Ministry of Health allocates specific funds to nutrition and advocacy work is continuing within Parliament for a specific budget line to be established

in 2018. The World Bank has agreed to finance a health programme that includes nutrition activities and the finalisation of the programme's operational plan, which sets out the mechanisms for resource mobilisation, will enable donors to align resources.



2017-2018 PRIORITIES

- Validate the CRF and monitoring and evaluation framework;
- Validate the operational multi-sectoral nutrition plan, costed nationally and sub-nationally;
- Implement financial tracking of nutrition at national and sub-national levels;
- Produce a solid national investment portfolio to reinforce advocacy for nutrition with donors;
- Develop the capacities of key actors, including members of the MSP;
- Revive SUN networks, establish platforms for academia and the private sector.